## CHARTER DEFENSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON MILITARY PERSONNEL TESTING

- A. <u>Official Designation</u>: The Committee shall be known as the Defense Advisory Committee on Military Personnel Testing (hereafter referred to as the Committee).
- B. Objectives and Scope of Activities: The Committee, under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), shall provide the Secretary of Defense, through the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), with assistance and independent advice on matters pertaining to military personnel testing. The Committee shall review the calibration of personnel selection and classification tests to ensure the accuracy of resulting scores, review relevant validation studies to ensure that the tests have utility in predicting success in technical training and on the job, review ongoing testing research and development in support of the enlistment program, and make recommendations for improvements to make the testing process more responsible to the needs of the Department of Defense and the Military Services. The Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) or designee may act upon the Board's advice and recommendations.
- C. <u>Committee Membership</u>: The Committee shall be composed of not more than seven Committee members, who are eminent authorities in the fields of educational and psychological testing. Committee members appointed by the Secretary of Defense, who are not full-time federal officers or employees, shall serve as Special Government Employees under the authority of 5 U.S.C. § 3109.

Committee Members shall be appointed on an annual basis by the Secretary of Defense, and shall serve terms of three years on the Committee. The Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) shall select the Committee's Chairperson, and Committee members shall, with the exception of travel and per diem for official travel, serve without compensation.

D. <u>Committee Meetings</u>: The Committee shall meet at the call of the Designated Federal Officer, in consultation with the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) or designee and the Chairperson. The estimated number of Committee meetings is two per year.

The Designated Federal Officer shall be a full-time or permanent part-time DoD employee, and shall be appointed in accordance with established DoD policies and procedures. The Designated Federal Officer and/or Alternate Designated Federal Officer shall attend all Committee and subcommittee meetings.

The Committee shall be authorized to establish subcommittees, as necessary and consistent with its mission, and these subcommittees or working groups shall operate under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the

Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. § 552b, as amended), and other appropriate Federal regulations.

Such subcommittees or workgroups shall not work independently of the chartered Committee, and shall report all their recommendations and advice to the Committee for full deliberation and discussion. Subcommittees or workgroups have no authority to make decisions on behalf of the chartered Committee nor can they report directly to the Department of Defense or any federal officers or employees who are not Committee members.

- E. <u>Duration of the Board</u>: The need for this advisory function is on a continuing basis; however, it is subject to renewal every two years.
- F. <u>Agency Support</u>: The Department of Defense, through the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), shall provide support as deemed necessary for the performance of the Board's functions, and shall ensure compliance with the requirements of 5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended. Information and assistance as required may be obtained from the Military Departments and other agencies of the Department of Defense, and from the Department of Homeland Security, in the case of the U.S. Coast Guard, as appropriate.
- G. <u>Termination Date</u>: The Board shall terminate upon completion of its mission or two years from the date of this Charter is filed, whichever is sooner, unless the Secretary of Defense extends it.
- H. Operating Costs: It is estimated that the annual operating costs, to include travel costs and contract support, for this Board is \$77,000.00. The estimated annual personnel costs to the Department of Defense are 0.7 full-time equivalents (FTEs).
- I. <u>Recordkeeping</u>: The records of the Board and its subcommittees shall be handled according to section 2, General Records Schedule 26 and appropriate DoD policies and procedures. These records shall be available for public inspection and copying, subject to the Freedom of Information Act of 1966 (5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended).
- J. Charter Filed: March 6, 2008